



PATENT APPLICATION
Docket No.: 301500.1004-123

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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Oleg Kishkovich, Robert W. Rezuke and Devon Kinkead

Application No.: 10/647,656 Filed Date: August 25, 2003

Confirmation No.: 2132 Group: 1724 Examiner: Not Assigned

For: Filters Employing Porous Strongly Acidic Polymers

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

An extension to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension of time to respond to the Office Action and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this Amendment and Response. Authorization is given to charge any additional fees due for this submission to Deposit Account No. 50-1935.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Please amend the application as follows:

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